



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

To: Indiana State Board of Education

From: Chad E. Ranney, General Counsel

Date: April 13, 2022

RE: Approval of Governing Body Change – Kankakee Valley School Corporation

Recommendation: Approve the proposed governing body plan change

Pursuant to IC 20-23-8, the Board of School Trustees of Kankakee Valley School Corporation (“Kankakee”) adopted a resolution to initiate a change to Kankakee’s governing body plan. After adopting the resolution, Kankakee submitted the attached materials for the Indiana State Board of Education’s (“Board”) review and consideration, in accordance with the requirements set forth in IC 20-23-8-15.

Indiana Department of Education (“Department”) staff reviewed the attached material and determined that Kankakee’s plan and the manner in which it was initiated satisfy the requirements set forth in IC 20-23-8. As such, Kankakee’s new governing body plan is recommended for approval.

Kankakee Valley School Corporation

RESOLUTION-2021-11

A RESOLUTION INITIATING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN OF ORGANIZATION CHANGING GOVERNING BODY COMPOSITION AND MANNER OF ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of School Trustees of Kankakee Valley School Corporation (“Board”) currently consists of a seven-member, non-partisan elected Board with:

- (i) five (5) members elected (a) as residents from within one of five geographically defined areas within the school corporation and (b) by voters residing within the same one of five geographically defined areas within the school corporation; and
- (ii) two (2) members elected (a) as at-large members who may reside anywhere within the boundaries of the school corporation and (b) by voters residing anywhere within the school corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Board has concluded that it should initiate a proposed plan to change the composition and method of electing the Board; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code (“I.C.”) 20-23-8, et. seq., provides the Board with the authority and process by which it may initiate a proposed plan to change the composition and method of electing a governing body of a public school corporation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Board that pursuant to I.C. 20-23-8-10(a)(2), it adopts the following changes in the Kankakee Valley School Corporation Organization Plan by which members of the Board are to be elected following the Effective Date (as defined below).

(End of Recitals – Here Follows Plan Change)

Plan for Governing Body Composition Change

A. Board of School Trustees

1. Number & Residential Districts – The governance of Kankakee Valley School Corporation shall be vested in a non-partisan Board composed of seven (7) members elected at a November general election in accordance with I.C. 20-23-4-29.1. There shall be five (5) geographically defined and limited residence districts from which five (5) members residing therein, one from each district, shall be elected to the Board (thereby comprising a total of five (5) resident members) and an “at large” district comprised of the entire area of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation, from which two (2) members shall be elected. All seven (7) members shall be elected by all voters residing within the school corporation. The Board intends that this manner of election be that option in I.C. 20-23-4-27(c)(2). The five residence districts, each from which one (1) member of the Board shall reside, shall be as follow:
 - a. Keener Township Residence District – That portion of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation bounded by the boundaries of Keener Township, Jasper County, Indiana.
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 - c. Kankakee Township Residence District – That portion of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation bounded by the boundaries of Kankakee Township, Jasper County, Indiana.
 - d. Union North Township Residence District – That portion of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation bounded by the part of Union Township, Jasper County, Indiana, that is within the School Corporation, namely the part north of the center of the present location of County Road 400 North (Fair

Oaks – Gifford Road) (this part of Union Township hereinafter referred to as “Union North Township”).

- e. Walker Township Residence District – That portion of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation bounded by the boundaries of Walker Township, Jasper County, Indiana.
2. Term of Office – Membership on the Board shall constitute a “lucrative office” as the term is used in Article 2, § 9 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana. Members shall be elected to a term of office of four (4) years commencing on January 1 of the year following the year of their election.
 3. Organization and Appointment of Officers – The Board shall annually organize within fifteen (15) days after the commencement date of the members’ terms of office, or within such time as might otherwise be required by law. The Board shall elect from among its membership a president, vice president, secretary, and assistant secretary each of whom shall be a different member of the Board. The Board may make such other appointments as permitted by, and in accordance with, applicable law.
 4. Compensation – Members shall be entitled to compensation for the performance of their duties on the Board, as limited by applicable law, and as determined, from time to time, by resolution of this Board.
 5. Eligibility for Membership on Board – To be eligible to serve on the Board, a candidate for election to the Board must have attained the age of twenty-one (21) years before the candidate’s term of office would begin. Candidates running for election to the Board from one of the five geographically limited and defined residence districts must have been a continuous resident of that residence district for at least the one (1) year immediately prior to the general election on which the candidate’s name appears on the ballot for election to the Board. Candidates running for election to the Board as an “at-large” member must have been a continuous resident of the school corporation for at least one (1) year immediately prior to the general election on which the candidate’s name appears on the

ballot for election to the Board. Property ownership shall not be an eligibility requirement for a candidate seeking election to the Board.

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B. Transition Plan Pending Board Elections

1. Schedule of Current Board Terms – The terms of office of the current members of the Board, their current corresponding election district, the date their current term began, and the date their current term ends, all as determined by the law and the Kankakee Valley School Corporation governing body selection plan then in effect at the time of their election, are:

Existing Election District	Current Member	Current Term Began	Current Term Ends
Keener Township	Jeff Groen	1/1/2019	12/31/2022
Wheatfield Township	Kristen Stowers	1/1/2019	12/31/2022
Kankakee Township	Jill Duttlinger	1/1/2021	12/31/2024
Union North Township	William Walther	1/1/2021	12/31/2024
Walker Township	Tim Helton	1/1/2021	12/31/2024
At-large seat #1	Vacant with the resignation of Stephen Eastridge, effective October 29, 2021	1/1/2019	12/31/2022
At-large seat #2	Katherine Sampson	1/1/2021	12/31/2024

2. Transition from Election District to Residence District Representation: The representation of the existing election districts

shall be transitioned to residence district under this proposed plan change in the following manner:

- a. Member Groen currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Keener Township. His residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Keener Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(a) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of his present term, Member Groen shall be the Board member from the Keener Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
- b. Member Stowers currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Wheatfield Township. Her residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Wheatfield Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(b) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of her present term, Member Stowers shall be the Board member from the Wheatfield Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
- c. Member Duttlinger currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Kankakee Township. Her residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Kankakee Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(c) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of her present term, Member Duttlinger shall be the Board member from the Kankakee Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
- d. Member Walther currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Union North Township. His residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Union

North Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(d) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of his present term, Member Walther shall be the Board member from the Union North Residence District under this proposed plan.

- e. Member Helton currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Walker Township. His residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Walker Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(e) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of his present term, Member Helton shall be the Board member from the Walker Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
- f. Member Sampson is currently one of two members elected as an at-large member who may reside anywhere within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation and is voted by all voters living within the school corporation. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of her present term, Member Sampson shall be one of two members elected by the at-large district, consisting of the entire boundaries of the school corporation.
- g. Effective October 29, 2021, there is a vacancy on the Board corresponding to the other seat filled by an at-large member who may reside anywhere within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation and who is voted on by all voters living within the school corporation. The Board shall fill that vacancy per section A(6) above and Indiana law. From the date of the Board's appointment to fill this vacancy until the end of the seat's current term (12/31/2022), the appointed member shall be one of two members elected by the at-large district, consisting of the entire boundaries of the school corporation.

3. Election Date for Board Members under Proposed Plan Change –
 Upon passage of this proposed plan change and its becoming effective upon the Effective Date, all members of the Board will be elected at general elections held in November of the appropriate years under the following schedule:

New Residence District	Current Member	Next Election	Next Seating
Keener Township	Jeff Groen	November 2022	01/01/23
Wheatfield Township	Kristen Stowers	November 2022	01/01/23
Kankakee Township	Jill Duttlinger	November 2024	01/01/25
Union North Township	William Walther	November 2024	01/01/25
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C. Retention of Terms of Previously Adopted Plans of Organization

Except as specifically modified, all other terms of all adopted plans of organization and reorganization of Kankakee Valley School Corporation shall remain effective after the Effective Date.

D. Effective Date

This proposed plan change shall become effective as of the adoption of this plan and its approval and fulfillment of the terms and requirements of I.C. 20-23-8-10, 20-23-8-14, and I.C. 20-23-8-15 (“Effective Date”).

E. Incorporation of Relevant Law

The intent of this Plan is to comply with all relevant provisions of Indiana law, and therefore, all relevant provisions of Indiana law not otherwise explicitly addressed are incorporated herein.

(End of Plan Change)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of this Board will cause notice of this Board's adoption of the foregoing plan to be published, as required by the provision of I.C. 20-23-8-14, in newspapers of general circulation published in Jasper County, Indiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the superintendent, school corporation legal counsel, and the officers of this Board shall take all other actions and execute all other documents as are reasonably convenient or otherwise necessary to affect the change in the plan for the selection of this governing body as hereinabove set forth.

(End of Resolution)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of School Trustees of Kankakee Valley School Corporation, Jasper County, Indiana, that the foregoing be approved and adopted.

Adopted this 8th day of November, 2021.

Jeffrey A. Groen
Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Printed: Jeffrey A. Groen

Jill Duttlinger
President, Board of School Trustees
Printed: Jill Duttlinger

BOARD MINUTES--THIRD PAGE
NOVEMBER 8, 2021

Approved the following extracurricular recommendations for the 2021/2022 school year:

Carley DeKock	Girls Freshman Basketball Coach, due to a resignation
Aubrey VanMeter	8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, renewal
Michael Clark	7 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, due to resignation
David DeFries	6 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, renewal
Zachary Waters	KVMS Wrestling Coach, due to resignation
Danielle DeFries	KVMS Girls Swimming Coach, renewal
William Oates	KVMS Boys Swimming Coach, renewal
Brian Culbreth	KVMS Wrestling Coach, renewal

Motion: Mrs. Katie Sampson

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 6-0

The KVSC Board of Education received Mr. Lane Lewallen's resignation as KVHS Girls' Varsity Cross Country Head Coach and they appreciate his 15 years of service to the program.

Approved the following certified recommendation:

- 1.) Shelley Stonecipher as KVMS School Counselor effective November 12, 2021, and pending receipt of additional information. Ms. Stonecipher will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.

Motion: Mr. Bill Walther

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 6-0

Approved the following classified recommendations:

- 1.) Dawn Zubrenic as a Bus Driver effective November 30, 2021. Ms. Zubrenic will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
- 2.) Johni Corning as a Bus Aide effective November 9, 2021. Ms. Corning will be filling a vacancy due to a transfer within the district.
- 3.) Amanda Gallagher as Bus Driver effective November 9, 2021. Ms. Gallagher will be filling a vacancy due to a transfer within the district.
- 4.) Ethan Hugar as KVHS Janitor effective November 9, 2021. Mr. Hugar will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
- 5.) Jose Rodriguez as KVIS Sweeper effective November 9, 2021. Mr. Rodriguez will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
- 6.) Melissa Matthews as DES Sweeper effective November 9, 2021. Ms. Matthews will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
- 7.) Taryn Lynn as KVMS Sweeper effective November 19, 2021. Ms. Lynn will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
- 8.) Maria Scally as KVIS Sweeper effective November 9, 2021. Ms. Scally will be filling a vacancy due to a transfer.
- 9.) Samuel Sanders as KVHS Athletic Custodian effective March 1, 2022. Mr. Sanders will be filling a new position.

Motion: Mrs. Katie Sampson

Second: Mr. Bill Walther

Vote: 6-0

Approved the KVSC School Board meeting dates for the 2022 calendar year.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mr. Bill Walther

Vote: 6-0

Approved the salary and stipend recommendations of the Speech-Language Pathologists for the 2021-2022 school year, per attachment.

Motion: Mr. Tim Helton

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 6-0

Approved the salaries of the Administrators and Directors for the 2021-2022 school year, per attachment.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mr. Bill Walther

Vote: 6-0

NEW BUSINESS (CONT)

Approved Resolution 2021-11, A Resolution Initiating An Amended and Restated Plan of Organization Changing Governing Body Composition and Manner of Election.

Motion: Mr. Bill Walther Second: Mrs. Katie Sampson Vote: 6-0

Approved the amended insurance settlements and qualified assignment and release agreements in relation to tort claim notices received on April 20, April 21, and April 22, 2021.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mrs. Katie Sampson Vote: 6-0

Approved the WES and KVMS BAS (Building Automation System) system software upgrade for the HVAC system by proceeding with a 3-year contract with Precision Control Systems Inc. for \$6,890.00.

Motion: Mr. Bill Walther Second: Mr. Tim Helton Vote: 6-0

Approved the NEOLA policy updates as listed in the Report Items

422	Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
1422.02	Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee
1623	Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment
1662	Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment
2260	Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
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4362	Anti-Harassment
5517	Anti-Harassment
0112	Purpose
1220	Employment of the Superintendent
2240	Controversial Issues
2260.01	Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability
3120	Employment of Professional Staff
4120	Employment of Professional Staff
4430	Leaves of Absence
5410	Promotion, Placement, and Retention
6250	Required ADM Counts for the Purpose of State Funding and Verification of Residency for Membership
7440.01	Electronic Monitoring and Recording
7450	Property Inventory
7455	Accounting System for Capital Assets
7530.02	Staff Use of Personal Communication Devices
8500	Food Service Program
8510	Wellness
8606	Bus Drivers and Cellular Telephone Use
0164.4	Meeting of the Board Defined
0164.5	Member Participation in Meetings through Electronic Means of Communication
0164.6	Meetings During Declared Disaster Emergencies
0167.1	Voting

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

BOARD MINUTES--SIXTH PAGE
NOVEMBER 8, 2021

Reviewed the following transfers:

- A. Crystal Miller from KVIS afternoon Sweeper to KVIS Day Matron, effective October 25, 2021.
- B. Sabrina Kooistra from KVIS RTI Aide to KVMS Athletic Secretary/Treasurer, effective November 12, 2021.

Communications:

- A. Wheatfield Elementary School (WES) received the Jasper County Retired Teacher's Grant for \$150. These funds will be used to purchase equipment to set up a video studio with a green screen. Students will be able to create short, informative video presentations using technology features to add fun, interactive backgrounds.
- B. KVHS Boys' Football received an Exemplary Behavior Report for their outstanding sportsmanship displayed at the game on October 21, 2021.
- C. Congratulations to the Clay Target League on their improvement this season. They went from 84.5 points their first week to 173.5 their last week. They are coming together as a team, adhering to firearm safety, and respecting the rules of the range.

Adjournment: 6:26 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers

Vote: 6-0

Public Work Session immediately after the meeting.

Executive Session began at 6:45 p.m. and ended at 8:10 p.m.



Mrs. Jill Duttlinger
Board President



Mr. Jeff Groen
Secretary

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Watering trees, shrubs in the fall and winter is balancing act

BY WRITER: GEMINI BHALSOD

URBANA, ILLINOIS—After this year's summer drought in Illinois, it is more important than ever to monitor soil moisture conditions and water trees and shrubs going into winter. Drought conditions in the late fall, along with dry air and low soil moisture, can lead to plant damage if no supplemental water is provided.

"If soil is dry, homeowners should consider watering their trees and shrubs this fall and winter," says Gemini Bhalsod, University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator.

Plants under water stress are more susceptible to insects and diseases. They can also experience injuries to roots or foliage.

Before watering, check the soil moisture. Monitor the moisture levels about once a week. Dig a small hole under the tree's drip line, 4 to 6 inches is enough. Feel for moisture. If the soil is dry, the tree should be watered.

"This little bit of consistent effort will pay off in the long run," Bhalsod says.

In particular, newly fall-planted trees, shrubs, and perennials should be monitored and watered late into the season, since they do not have as much time to develop extensive root systems as anything planted in the spring.

Pay attention to evergreens and shallow-rooted trees such as birches and maples. Some shallow-rooted trees can be identified by roots breaking the surface of the soil. Evergreens do not go dormant in the winter and are still actively respiring and lose water through their needles. Dormant trees respire at lower rates. Since soil insulates and cools down faster in the year than the air temperature, roots stay warmer longer and respire at higher rates than the above-ground parts, the trunk, and branches, of deciduous trees after their leaves drop.

Only water when the temperature is above 40°F. In some places, that could be as late as the end of December. Stop supplemental watering after the ground freezes because at this point the trees cannot absorb water through the frozen soil.

To water, use a soaker hose to provide a slow stream of water. Soil should be moist, but not waterlogged. This method results in less runoff and the water is more likely to be absorbed by the root zone. "If your hose is stored away and your tree or shrub is small, pour water very slowly or



Photo contributed by [Name]. After this year's summer drought in Illinois, it is more important than ever to monitor soil moisture conditions and water trees and shrubs going into winter.

Water at the tree's drip line and not right against the base. To conserve water, start with newly planted trees and shrubs weekly and then large and established trees once a month if it is a dry period.

Avoid fertilizer, which stimulates late-season growth, and instead, consider applying mulch. Mulch can help conserve moisture over the winter months. Apply mulch about 2 to 4 inches away from the base of the tree all the way to the drip line in a doughnut shape around the trunk, leaving 2-to 4 inches of space in between. As always, planting hardy species or cultivars with deep roots is best since they are more likely to be able to survive temperature fluctuations and prolonged periods of cold.

SOURCE/WRITER: Gemini Bhalsod, Horticulture Educator, University of Illinois Extension

IDNR reminds hunters chronic wasting disease check stations open for 2021 firearm deer season

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS—The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) reminds hunters in counties where chronic wasting disease (CWD) has been detected that Firearm Deer Check Stations will be open this year in CWD-testing counties, according to information from the IDNR. Check stations were not open in 2020 due to health and safety protocols in place at that time.

Check stations are used by the IDNR to monitor CWD in Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, Grundy, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, LaSalle, Livingston, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Will, and Winnebago counties.

A list of check station locations for CWD testing can be found on the IDNR website Firearm Deer Hunting Information for CWD Counties page. The list this year includes a Carroll County check station at Mississippi Palisades State Park. Hunters harvesting deer in Kane County should take their deer to a check station in an adjacent county.

In those counties, hunter-harvested deer must be taken to a designated firearm deer check station by 8 p.m. on the day the deer is killed. All persons at the check stations will be required to follow guidance from the CDC and Illinois Department of Public Health in place at the time of the hunt regarding use of face masks and social distancing.

Successful firearm deer hunters in all other counties must report their harvest by 10 p.m. on the same calendar day the deer is taken by using the online check-in system at <https://www.exploreemcoell.com/wildlife/harvest/> or by phone at 866-452-3325.

Successful deer hunters in all other counties may have their deer tested for CWD. Hunters can visit participating vendors (taxidermists and meat processors) or drop deer heads at self-serve drop off sites. A list of locations is available on the IDNR website at https://www2.illinois.gov/idnr/programs/CWD/Documents/CWD_Sampling_Locations.pdf.

The Illinois Firearm Deer Season dates are Nov. 19-21, 2021, and Dec. 2-5, 2021.

★ LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTION BY KANKAKEE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION OF RESOLUTION INFLATING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Indiana Code ("I.C.") 20-23-8-14(a) that the Board of Trustees of Kankakee Valley School Corporation approved on November 9, 2021, Resolution 2021-11 ("Resolution"), which initiated an amended and restated plan of organization changing the composition of the governing body of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation and the manner of its election ("Plan"). The Resolution, which includes therein the inflated Plan change, is as follows:

(here follows text of Resolution)

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2. Transition from Election District to Residence District Representation: The representation of the existing election districts shall be transferred to residence district under this proposed plan change in the following manner:

- a. Member Green currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Keener Township. His residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Keener Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(a) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of his present term, Member Green shall be the Board member from the Keener Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
b. Member Stowers currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Wheatfield Township. Her residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Wheatfield Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(b) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of her present term, Member Stowers shall be the Board member from the Wheatfield Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
c. Member Duttlinger currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Kankakee Township. Her residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Kankakee Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(c) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of her present term, Member Duttlinger shall be the Board member from the Kankakee Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
d. Member Walther currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Union North Township. His residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Union North Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in section A(1)(d) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of his present term, Member Walther shall be the Board member from the Union North Township Residence District under this proposed plan.
e. Member Helton currently (1) resides in, (2) represents, and (3) is elected solely by voters residing in Walker Township. His residence will be within the geographically defined and limited Walker Township Residence District under this proposed plan as set forth in

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section A(1)(e) above. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of his present term, Member Helton shall be the Board member from the Walker Township Residence District under this proposed plan.

f. Member Sampson is currently one of two members elected as an at-large member who may reside anywhere within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation and is voted by all voters living within the school corporation. From the Effective Date of this proposed plan until the end of her present term, Member Sampson shall be one of two members elected by the at-large district, consisting of the entire boundaries of the school corporation.

g. Effective October 29, 2021, there is a vacancy on the Board corresponding to the other seat filled by an at-large member who may reside anywhere within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation and who is voted on by all voters living within the school corporation. The Board shall fill that vacancy per section A(6) above and Indiana law. From the date of the Board's appointment to fill this vacancy until the end of the seat's current term (12/31/2022), the appointed member shall be one of two members elected by the at-large district, consisting of the entire boundaries of the school corporation.

A. Election Date for Board Members under Proposed Plan Change - Upon passage of this proposed plan change and its becoming effective upon the Effective Date, all members of the Board will be elected at general elections held in November of the appropriate years under the following schedule:

Table with 4 columns: New Residence District, Current Member, Next Election, Next Seating. Rows include Keener Township (Jeff Green), Kankakee Township (Jill Duttlinger), Union North Township (Bill Walther), Walker Township (Tim Helton), and At-large seat #1 (Vacant).

C. Retention of Terms of Previously Adopted Plans of Organization

Except as specifically modified, all other terms of all adopted plans of organization and reorganization of Kankakee Valley School Corporation shall remain effective after the Effective Date.

D. Effective Date

This proposed plan change shall become effective as of the adoption of this plan and its approval and fulfillment of the terms and requirements of I.C. 20-23-8-10, 20-23-8-14, and I.C. 20-23-8-15 ("Effective Date").

E. Incorporation of Relevant Law

The intent of this Plan is to comply with all relevant provisions of Indiana law, and therefore, all relevant provisions of Indiana law not otherwise explicitly addressed are incorporated herein.

(End of Plan Change)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of this Board will cause notice of this Board's adoption of the foregoing plan to be published, as required by the provision of I.C. 20-23-8-14, in newspapers of general circulation published in Jasper County, Indiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the superintendent, school corporation legal counsel, and the officers of this Board shall take all other actions and execute all other documents as are reasonably convenient or otherwise necessary to affect the change in the plan for the selection of this governing body as hereinabove set forth.

(End of Resolution)

Pursuant to I.C. 20-23-8-14(b), any voter residing within the boundaries of Kankakee Valley School Corporation has the right to file a petition with the clerk of the Jasper Circuit Court for alternative plans or a petition protesting the adoption of the Plan set forth above. More information concerning how a voter may file such a petition and about plan changes in general may be found at I.C. 20-23-8.

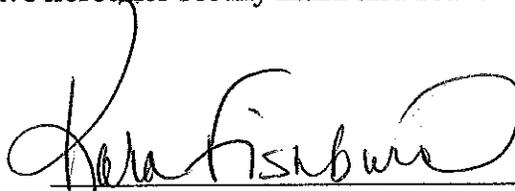
Kankakee Valley School Corporation November 18, 2021

CERTIFICATE OF JASPER COUNTY CLERK

I, Kara Fishburn, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected, qualified, and acting Clerk of Jasper County, Indiana.

I certify that I have completed a search for (a) Petitions protesting the reorganization plan approved by the governing body of Kankakee Valley School Corporation on November 8, 2021, pursuant to Indiana Code 20-23-8 and (b) Petitions submitting an alternative reorganization plan, and that I found none.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of March, 2022.



Kara Fishburn, Clerk of
Jasper County, Indiana

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Kara Fishburn
Clerk of the Jasper Circuit Court